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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: NEGATIVE ELECTRODE HAVING  
INTERMETALLIC COMPOUND THAT  
OCCLUDES/DESORBS LITHIUM AS AN  
ACTIVE MATERIAL LAYER ON  
COLLECTOR FOR NON-AQUEOUS  
SECONDARY BATTERY AND NON-  
AQUEOUS SECONDARY BATTERY USING  
THE SAME

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Examiner: R. Alejandro

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2008, Applicants respectfully submit remarks in the connection with the above-identified application, as follows:

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.**